

REMARKS

The following remarks are provided in response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 14, 2006, in which the Examiner reasoned that:

- I. Claims 22-41 are drawn to compressing immediate operands, classified in class 712, subclass 210;
- II. Claims 42-50 are drawn to sharing an immediate operand, classified in class 712, subclass 213;

The applicants herein elect **Group I** (claims **22-41**) without traverse and respectfully request a timely examination of the elected claims.

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CONCLUSION

For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicants submit that the rejections have been overcome. Therefore, claims **22-41** are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if such contact would further the examination of the present application. Please charge any shortages and credit any overcharges to our Deposit Account number 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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